

UNAPPROVED MINUTES
CITY OF MILPITAS
ARTS COMMISSION

Minutes: Meeting of the Arts Commission (AC)
Date of Meeting: Monday, May 24, 2004
Place of Meeting: Milpitas Community Center, 457 E. Calaveras Blvd.

I. Call to Order The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. Phantom Art Gallery Opening – Mary Meacham

The Commission and Mayor Jose Esteves presented Mrs. Meacham with a Certificate of Commendation for her contribution to the Arts. Mrs. Meacham thanked the Commission and the City of Milpitas for the opportunity to display her work.

III. Flag Salute The Chair led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call Commissioners Present: Ettinger, Foulk, Hays, Hicks, Ogle, Rabe and Alternate McGuire

Commissioners Absent: S. Gupta and Alternate M. Gupta

City Staff Present: Recreation Services Supervisor, Kathleen Yurchak, Public Services Clerk II, Renee Lorentzen, Mayor Jose Esteves

City Council Liaison Present: Council Member Armando Gomez

V. Alternates The Chair sat Alternate McGuire in Commissioner S. Gupta's absence

VI. Agenda The Commission asked that Item X. Old Business be moved before IX. Announcements and Correspondence.

MOTION to approve the Agenda of May 24, 2004, as amended.

M/S: Hays/Ogle Ayes: All

VII. Minutes **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of April 26, 2004.

M/S: Hays/Ettinger Ayes: All

VIII. Citizens Forum Thu Do
823 Alcosta Dr.
Milpitas, CA 95035

Ms. Do, Sun Microsystems, informed the Commission that she is planning on submitting a Phantom Art Gallery Application for renowned Embroidery Artist, Huu-Hanh Nguyen. She will be visiting from Vietnam during a time when the Phantom Art Gallery has a week free in August and would like to display her work during that time. She stated that she would follow all formal processes to receive Phantom Art Gallery application approval.

X. Old Business

1. Allocation of funds for arts in Milpitas

Commissioner Rabe suggested to the Commission that they visit the City of Mountain View as they have a 1% of Developer Fees allotted to the Arts. The City of Mountain View has numerous pieces of public art. After the Commission visits the City of Mountain View, the Commission should take pictures of what 1% of Developer Fees can do for a City and its art goals, and present them to City Council along with the research from the Sub-committee.

Council Member Gomez told the Commission that they would need to define what developer fees would be considered in the 1%. An Ordinance would be needed to implement such a plan. Mayor Jose Esteves told the Commission that he would like to see the "Allocation of funds for arts in Milpitas" on the Commission's Work Plan. He asked the Commission to amend their Work Plan to include the Allocation topic and to pick a goal date in which the Commission would present their findings and make a recommendation to City Council on the best way to fund art in Milpitas. Council Member Gomez, told the Commission that they will need to explain to City Council how they came to their recommendation.

Commissioner Hays asked staff how long it would take the Commission to be agendaized for a City Council Meeting. Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak, told the Commission that it would take approximately 2 weeks to get on the City Council Agenda. Commissioner Hays asked what type of questions would the City Council ask the Commission during their presentation. Council Member Gomez, stated the Commission should be prepared to explain the impact of the plan, how it is determined who is charged the 1% and what the Ordinance would be.

Mayor Esteves stated that a percentage would be charged based on the total development costs, not fees. Mayor Esteves stated the Commission needs to identify a process to not only implement a percentage for the Arts, but also how will the Commission and the City use the money.

2. Work Plan Update Consideration

Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak informed the Commission that the 3rd Annual Arts Day in Milpitas is on their Work Plan. Arts Day is typically a collaboration between the Arts Commission and the Milpitas Alliance for the Arts. The Commission will need to form a sub-committee to contact and work with the Alliance for the Arts.

MOTION to form a subcommittee to work on the 3rd Annual Arts Day in Milpitas with Commissioner's Ettinger, Foulk and McGuire.

M/S: Hays/Ettinger Ayes: All

MOTION to amend the Arts Commission Work Plan to list Allocation of funds for arts in Milpitas.

M/S: Rabe/Ettinger Ayes: All

IX. Announcements and Correspondence

Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak, announced to the Commission that Mary Meacham's Phantom Art Gallery opening will be featured in the June 3, 2004, issue of the Milpitas Post. Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak,

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referred the Commission to a letter from Fred Crowe, Phantom Art Gallery applicant, resending his Phantom Art Gallery Application.

Commissioner Ettinger stated that she was wondering if it would be better to discuss Phantom Art Gallery Applicants, without the Artist present. Commissioner Rabe stated that it was not legal to discuss in secret. All business must be conducted in front of the public. Commissioner Hicks stated that some unkind comments were made towards Mr. Crowe, such as that it “wasn’t art”.

Commissioner Rabe informed the Commission that the Golden Hills Art Association will be holding a watercolor exhibition on June 3, 2004, at 8 p.m. in the Milpitas Police Community Room. The demonstration is free and open to the public.

Commissioner Ettinger gave kudos to the Milpitas Global Village Multicultural Faire, as she saw many different types of art from the different countries represented that day.

Commissioner Ogle invited the Commission to the Milpitas Camera Club’s Cultural Arts Support Program event on June 6, 2004, at the Milpitas Community Center from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Commissioner Rabe announced that the Cultural Arts Support Program event, San Jose Wind Symphony Concert was very successful with over 200 people in attendance.

Chairperson Foulk asked that Staff add a section on future agenda’s for Commission CASP Attendance reports.

XI. New Business

1. Public Art Tour Site and Date Selection

The Commission asked Staff whether the Public Art Tour had to be a Special meeting or could they just go? Recreation Services Supervisor, Yurchak, answered that if the Commission didn’t want to hold a Special meeting, no more than three Commissioners’ can attend the tour at one time, as four or more Commissioner’s is a quorum.

The Commission decided to tour the City of Mountain View on June 17, 2004, with the following Commissioner’s attending: Rabe, Ogle, Foulk.

Commissioner Hay and Commissioner McGuire would tour the City of Mountain view on June 15, 2004.

2. Review and Approve Final Draft of the Phantom Art Gallery Application

The Commission reviewed the presented draft of the Phantom Art Gallery Application. The Commission responded that they did not like the border or the font used on the draft. The Commission stated that the layout, allowing for the mailing of the application and the language of the application. They felt the listed questions and requirements would help them in their review of future applicants. The Commission asked staff to re-do the Application draft with the following changes suggested:

- Modern/mainstream border and font
- Black text on colored paper
- Phantom Art Gallery Logo

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XII. Staff Reports

- Memorial Day Ceremony: May 31 – 9:00am, Veterans Memorial Park
- CASP: Fil Am, June 5 – 8:00pm, Milpitas, Community Center – Linda Hicks
- CASP: Milpitas Camera Club, June 6, 10am-4pm, Community Center Auditorium – Mariele Ogle, Robin Hays
- CASP: Fancy Dancers, June 6, 1-6pm, Community Center Plaza – Donine Ettinger, Robin Hays
- Milpitas Community Concert Band: June 18 – 7:30pm, Community Center
- Summer Concert Series: June 22 - 6:30pm, Mark Russo & the Classy Cats, Augustine Park

XIII. Liaison Reports

None

XIV. Future Agenda Items

- Roberts Rules of Order/ Parliamentary Rules

XV. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m., to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 24, 2003 at 7:00 p.m.